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AFFIRMING THE KEY COORDINATING ROLE OF UNDP RE UN
TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE MATTERS

REFERENCE: A. GENEVA 5885; B. STATE 186449

1. SUMMARY. FRG DELEGATION PLANS TO TABLE THE REVISED DRAFT RESOLUTION CONTAINED IN PARAGRAPH 4 OF THIS TELEGRAM ON EITHER 29 OR 30 JULY. TO DATE THE FRG STATES IT HAS DENMARK, JAPAN AND NORWAY AS CO-SPONSORS WITH THE UK AS AN ADDITIONAL POSSIBILITY. US DELEGATION PASSED ALONG THE SUGGESTIONS CONTAINED IN PARAGRAPHS 1 B AND 1 C OF REFERENCE B. US DELEGATION WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING ANY ADDITIONAL REACTIONS THE DEPARTMENT MIGHT HAVE TO THE REVISED FRG DRAFT ASAP AND PREFERABLY PRIOR TO THE BEGINNING OF ECOSOC COMMITTEE MEETING ON JULY 29. END SUMMARY

2. US DELEGATION PASSED ALONG TO THE FRG DELEGATION THE SUGGESTIONS CONTAINED IN PARAGRAPHS 1B AND 1 C OF REFERENCE B. US DELEGATION DID NOT MENTION THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SUGGESTION CONTAINED IN PARAGRAPH 1 A BECAUSE IT WAS

AWARE THAT THE FRG, AFTER DISCUSSION WITH MORSE AND VARIOUS DELEGATIONS, HAD DECIDED TO DROP ALL EXPLICIT MENTIONS BY NAME OF UN AGENCIES FROM THE TEXT OF ITS DRAFT RESOLUTION.

3. THE FRG DELEGATION INFORMED US THAT : 1) IT HAD ALREADY GARNERED DENMARK, JAPAN AND NORWAY AS CO-SPONSORS OF ITS RESOLUTION AND THAT THE UK DELEGATION HAD CABLED LONDON FOR INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING CO-SPONSORSHIP; 2) VARIOUS EARLIER DRAFTS OF THE RESOLUTION HAD BEEN DISCUSSED AND WELL RECEIVED BY THE EC-9 GROUP ON TWO OCCASIONS OVER THE PAST FEW DAYS AND THAT THE EC-9 GROUP WOULD DISCUSS THE LATES VERSION OF THE DRAFT RESOLUTION AGAIN THIS EVENING.

4. BEGIN QUOTE

THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

REAFFIRMING THE BASIC CONSENSUS ON THE FUNCTIONS AND OPERATIONS OF THE UN DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM AS CONTAINED IN RESOLUTION 2688 (XXV), AND THE CONTINUED NEED TO PRESERVE THE PRINCIPLES EMBODIED THERIN, IN PARTICULAR THE NEED FORAORDINATED AND INTEGRATED APPROACH TO TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE RENDERED BY THE SYSTEM ACCORDING TO THE PRIORITIES OF RECIPIENT COUNTRIES.

REAFFIRMING FURTHER THAT THE IMPLEMENTATION OF MULTILATERAL TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION IS A COMMON ENDEAVOR OF THE ENTIRE UN SYSTEM UNDER LEADERSHIP OF THE UNDP.

TAKING NOTE WITH APPROVAL OF THE REPORT OF THE 21ST AND 22ND SESSION OF THE UNDP GOVERNING COUNCIL AND IN PARTICULAR OF ITS DECISION ON THE COHERENCE OF THE UN SYSTEM (E/5846, 158).

1. REQUESTS ALL INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS PARTICIPATING IN THE UN DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM,

(A) TO STRENGTHEN THEIR MUTUAL CO-ORDINATION, BOTH BETWEEN HEADQUARTERS AND IN RECIPIENT COUNTRIES, WITH A VIEW TO ACHIEVING INTEGRATION OF TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THE COUNTRY LEVEL IN KEEPING WITH THE CONSENSUS AS CONTAINED IN RES. 2688 (XXV) OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN ORDER TO ENABLE THE RESIDENT REPRESENTATIVE, AS LEADER OF THE TEAM, TO ACT AS THE CENTRAL CO-ORDINATING AUTHORITY ON BEHALF OF THE ORGANIZATIONS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAMMES OF THE SYSTEM AT THE FIELD LEVEL.

(B) IN PARTICULAR, TO TAKE THE NECESSARY STEPS TO STRENGTHEN THEIR CO-OPERATION WITH THE UN FIELD OFFICE NETWORK INCLUDING, WHEREVER FEASIBLE, JOINT ARRANGEMENTS ON THE FUNCTIONING OF SENIOR ADVISERS ASSIGNED TO THE OFFICE OF THE RESIDENT REPRESENTATIVES IN ORDER TO ENSURE AN INTEGRATED AND INTERDISCIPLINARY APPROACH TO OPERATIONAL ACTIVITIES.

2. REQUESTS THE GOVERNING COUNCIL OF UNDP TO SUBMIT TO THE 63RD SESSION OF ECOSOC A REPORT ON THE PROGRESS ACHIEVED IN SECURING SUCH IMPROVED HEADQUARTERS AND FIELD CO-ORDINATION, WITH, IF NECESSARY, RECOMMENDATIONS THEREON.

3. REAFFIRMS THE DESIRABILITY OF ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMMES OF THE UN DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM TO BE CHANNELLED THROUGH UNDP AS ITS CENTRAL FUNDING AND CO-ORDINATING BODY FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE COUNTRY PROGRAMMING SYSTEM.

4. INVITES ALL DONOR COUNTRIES TO ASSIST IN THE ACHIEVEMENT OF THE DYNAMIC GROWTH OF THE PROGRAMME'S ACTIVITIES FOR 1977 - 1981, BASED ON THE NEED FOR AN EQUITABLE SHARING OF THE TOTAL EFFORT REQUIRED WITH REGARD TO THE LEVEL, TIMELINESS AND USABILITY OF VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE PROGRAMME.

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